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SUBJECT: ACCELERATED BIDDING TO PROVIDE SIGNALLING CONSULTANT THROUGH NICSMA TO SHAPE TECHNICAL CENTER (STC) ON NICS SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

REF: (A) AC/4-DS/1077, INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING 21 FEB 78, (B) AC/4-D/2261(FINAL), 30 NOV 74, (C) APPENDIX B OF ANNEX B TO NICSMA/MR(77)4 (QUOTED BELOW).
1. AT INFRASTRUCTURE MEETING 21 FEB 78, COMMITTEE APPROVED NICSMA REQUEST TO SEEK SUBJECT CONSULTANT ON UNDERSTANDING THE SUPPLYING FIRM WOULD NOT FORFEIT ITS RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (ICB) ON RESULTING CONTRACTS AND THAT ANY SPECIFICATIONS DEVELOPED WOULD BE TRANSPARENT AND AMENABLE TO MEANINGFUL FOLLOW-ON ICBS.

2. AT 9 MAR 78 MEETING OF PAYMENTS AND PROGRESS (P&P) COMMITTEE, THAT COMMITTEE AGREED TO ACCELERATED ICB PROCEDURE AS IN PARA 7(III) OF REF B, REQUIRING THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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NAMES OF FIRMS WISHING TO COMPETE FOR PROVISION OF CONSULTANT BE NOMINATED THROUGH MEMBER COUNTRY NATO MISSIONS TO NICSMA BY 4 APR 78, FOR ONWARD SUBMISSION TO STC.

3. THERE FOLLOWS BELOW THE TEXT OF REFERENCE C OUTLINING THE TASKS FOR SUCH CONSULTANT:

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QUOTE: CONSULTANT ON SIGNALLING
SIGNALLING SYSTEMS WITHIN THE NICS (NSP TASK ARCH/3 REFERS)
TASKS:

1. TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A CCSS FOR USE WITH THE STAGE II NICS WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE PROBLEM OF TRANSITIONING TO A DIGITAL NETWORK. PREPARATION OF THE RECOMMENDATION WILL INVOLVE:
(A) STUDY OF THE EXISTING PROPOSALS FOR THE CCSS FOR THE NICS.
(B) STUDY OF THE CCSS DESIGNED FOR THE IVSN.
(C) EXAMINATION OF THE ROUTING CONTROL SYSTEM DEVELOPED FOR THE NODAL SWITCHES IN ORDER TO DERIVE A SUITABLE MESSAGE REPERTOIRE FOR THE UPDATING OF ANY ROUTING TABLES WITHIN THE CONTROL SYSTEM.

2. TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CASSS FOR USE ON ACCESS CIRCUITS TO THE NODAL SWITCHES:
(A) STUDY EXISTING 2- AND 4-WIRE CASSS IN USE IN NICS AND COMPARE WITH EMERGENCY CARD SYSTEMS.
(B) STUDY PROBLEMS RELATING TO SIGNAL INJECTION AND DETECTION EQUIPMENT WHICH WILL BE REQUIRED AT THE NODAL SWITCHES.
(C) RECOMMEND CASSS FOR USE ON CIRCUITS BETWEEN USER TERMINALS AND SWITCHES.
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(D) RECOMMEND CASSS FOR USE ON ANALOGUE CIRCUITS BETWEEN ACCESS SWITCHES/ADD-ON UNITS AND NODAL SWITCHES.

3. DETERMINE THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH CCSS (COMMON CHANNEL SIGNALLING SYSTEM) AND CASSS (CHANNEL ASSOCIATED SIGNALLING SYSTEMS) SHOULD BE USED BETWEEN ACCESS SWITCHES/ ADD-ON UNITS AND NODAL SWITCHES.

4. DERIVE A FORM OF SIGNALLING SUITABLE FOR USE ON THE 4-WIRE DIGITAL LOOP BETWEEN A DIGITAL USER INSTRUMENT, YET TO BE DEVELOPED, AND THE PARENT SWITCH.

5. OTHER TASKS, ARISING FROM THE FOREGOING AS MUTUALLY AGREED. UNQUOTE.

4. WE ASK THAT YOU PROVIDE US WITH THE NAMES, ADDRESSES INCLUDING TELEX AND SECURITY CLEARANCES OF FIRMS ELIGIBLE, INTERESTED AND NOMINATED FOR PROVISION OF SUCH CONSULTANT, IF POSSIBLE, BY MONDAY 3 APR 78 TO INSURE MEETING DEADLINE. BENNETT

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